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A Conference of
The Jerome Levy Economics Institute

MOVING TO A MARKET ECONOMY:

ECONOMIC REFORM

IN EASTERN EUROPE

AND THE SOVIET UNION

October 25-26, 1991

Conference Participants:

Istvan Abel. Wesleyan University Sanjib Baruah, Bard College John Bonin, Weslevan University David Colander, Middlebury College Ryszard Frelek, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute Egor Gaidar, Director, Institute of Economic Policy, USSR Academy of Sciences Linda Goldberg, New York University David Kemme, Wichita State University Michael Keren, Hebrew University Kenneth Koford, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute and University of Delaware Vitaly Korotich, former editor of Ogonyok James Leitzel, Duke University and Hoover Institution S Jay Levy, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute John Litwack, Stanford University William Lunt, Vassar College Jeffrey B. Miller, University of Delaware Janet Mitchell, Cornell University J.M. Montias, Yale University Dennis Mueller, University of Maryland Egon Neuberger, SUNY-Stony Brook Igor Nit, Economic Advisor to Boris Yeltsin, President of the RSFSR Mancur Olson, University of Maryland Dimitri B. Papadimitriou, The Jerome Levy Economics Institute and Bard College Stephan Petranov, Institute of Economics. Bulgarian Academy of Sciences Frederick Pryor, Swarthmore College Inna Schneiderman, Central Economic and Mathematical Institute, USSR Academy of Sciences Vladimir Shlapentokh, Michigan State University Martin Spechler, Indiana University Stanislaw Wellisz, Columbia University

Richard C. Wiles, Bard College

Schedule/Speakers
Friday, October 25th

8:30 REGISTRATION

9:00 WELCOMING REMARKS: S Jay LEVY

9:15 SESSION I

Microeconomic Reform: The Creation of Markets, Development of Property Rights, Constitutional Principles

Chair: Kenneth KOFORD

John LITWACK—"Property Rights and Law as Commitment Devices"

Jeffrey B. MILLER—"Application of Market Incentive Plans to Transition in a Socialist Economy"

Janet MITCHELL—"Making Firms Financially Responsible: The Bankruptcy Problem and the Soft Budget Constraint"

Discussants: Dennis MUELLER J.M. MONTIAS

10:45 BREAK

11:00 SESSION II

Reform in Eastern Europe

Chair: Ryszard FRELEK

Stanislaw WELLISZ—"Poland"
Stephan PETRANOV—"Bulgarian
Macroeconomic Experience"
Istvan ABEL—"Hungary"

Schedule/Speakers

Friday, October 25th--continued

Discussants: Frederick PRYOR
Egon NEUBERGER

12:30 LUNCH

Speaker: Mancur OLSON

3:00 SESSION III Panel Discussion Soviet Union: Economic Policy

Chair: Vladimir SHLAPENTOKH
Egor GAIDAR
Igor NIT

Discussants: James LEITZEL
Martin SPECHLER

5:30 RECEPTION

DINNER

6:30

8:15 INFORMAL PRESENTATIONS AND OPEN DISCUSSION: Alternative Reform Paths

Chair: William LUNT

Michael KEREN—"On the (Im)Possibility of Market Socialism"

David COLANDER—"Rights and Responsibility in a Market Economy"

Kenneth KOFORD—"Why the Ex-Communist Countries Should Take the 'Middle-Way' to the Market Economy"

OPEN DISCUSSION

Schedule/Speakers Saturday, October 26th

8:30 SESSION IV

Macroeconomic Reform: Financial Institutions, International Trade

Chair: Jeffrey B. MILLER

David KEMME—"Banking Reform"
Linda GOLDBERG—"Internal Markets in
Foreign Exchange and Economic Reform"
John BONIN and Istvan ABEL—
"Nonperforming Loans and Trade Credit:
Implications for Monetary Policy in the
Transition"

Discussants: James LEITZEL
Jeffrey B. MILLER

10:15 BREAK

10:45 SESSION V

Soviet Union: Social Elements of Reform

Chair: Richard C. WILES

Vladimir SHLAPENTOKH—"The Mythology of Privatization—A New Phenomenon in Russia" Inna SCHNEIDERMAN—"Cultural Differences Between Regions in the Former USSR and Privatization"

Discussants: Vitaly KOROTICH Kenneth KOFORD Sanjib BARUAH

12:30 LUNCH

Schedule/Speakers

Saturday, October 26th--continued

1:30 POLICY FORUM

How Can /Should the U.S. Help?

Chair: Dimitri B. PAPADIMITRIOU
James LEITZEL
David COLANDER
Igor NIT

3:00 Conference Concludes

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The registration fee is \$25 and includes all meals, receptions and conference papers.

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